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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AT GRAND FORKS

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Just in Time for Holiday Giving!

UND 'Flood Book' Available Next Week

It will be ready next week as a last-minute holiday gift!

It's a must-have addition for the local-interest section of libraries throughout the community!

It's the UND "flood book," *The Return of Lake Agassiz: The University of North Dakota and the Flood of 1997*. It takes readers from the blizzards before and up to and through the University's role with its Grand Forks and East Grand Forks partners in the fight against and recovery from the April 1997 flood — considered the worst natural disaster in modern times in our region.

Sale of the book that relates the crisis and the community's and UND's reaction to it through a balance of personal narratives and a broad range of photos begins **Tuesday, Dec. 15**, at the University Bookstore. Cost is \$11.95 apiece.

Read more about the new UND flood book, *The Return of Lake Agassiz*, on page 2 of this issue of *University Letter*. Production of the book was coordinated by the UND Office of University Relations with principal writing and editing by Dick Larson and Jan Orvik from accounts by various UND personnel; designing by Dick Larson; coordination of compilations by Jan Orvik; and graphic production by Mavis Ness. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Retired Faculty, Staff Invited To Christmas Party Dec. 15

The UND Alumni Association and Foundation will host a Holiday Party for retired UND faculty and staff **Tuesday, Dec. 15**, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the J. Lloyd Stone Alumni Center. Plan to eat, lefse and goodies and drink warm apple cider to your heart's content. Entertainment will be provided by current UND students. If you need transportation, contact April at 777-2611. See you there and happy holidays from everyone at the Alumni Association. -- *April Martin, Alumni Association and Foundation.*

Did You Know?

Every fall since 1977, the North Dakota Supreme Court has held a one-day session in the Baker Moot Court Room at the UND School of Law. The court's annual visit invariably packs the courtroom with fascinated UND law students.

University Letter is also available electronically in the Events and News section of UNDInfo on the Web, <http://www.und.edu/dept/our/uletter.htm>

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Curriculum Committee To Consider Program Terminations

The University Curriculum Committee will meet **Tuesday, Jan. 12**, at 3 p.m. in 303 Twamley Hall to review the request from the College of Arts and Sciences to terminate the bachelor of arts in Mathematics and the request from the School of Medicine and Health Sciences to terminate the minor in Pharmacology and Toxicology. Anyone interested in the proposals is invited to attend. -- *Heidi Kippenhan (Office of the Registrar) for the University Curriculum Committee.*

Meeting Of Faculty, Staff With Local Legislators Rescheduled For Dec. 14

Faculty and staff are invited to a rescheduled open discussion with the Grand Forks delegation to the 1999 North Dakota Legislative Session. A snowstorm postponed the originally scheduled meeting. This exchange with the local House and Senate members will provide an opportunity for them to express their views on issues that will be important in the next Legislature and to answer questions. The meeting will be Monday, Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. in room 210, Clifford Hall, preceded by refreshments and visiting. It sponsored by University Senate and the President's office. -- *Office of the President.*

Faculty Invited To March In Winter Commencement

Faculty are invited to march in academic regalia for the Winter Commencement ceremony **Friday, Dec. 18**, in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Participating faculty will assemble for the procession at 1:30 p.m. in Wilkerson Hall. University Marshals will be on hand to direct you to your place in the procession. The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m.

This year doctoral candidates and their major advisors will also assemble in Wilkerson Hall. They will be seated on the stage with the other faculty members.

You are asked to contact Rita Galloway at 777-4194 if you plan to march in the procession so that we may estimate the number of seats to be reserved. We encourage the participation of faculty to help make this a memorable occasion for our graduates and their families and friends. -- *Kendall Baker, President.*

Writers Conference Reading Group To Form In January

"Expressing the Sacred" is the theme of this year's UND Writers Conference, and once again an informal campus reading group will meet weekly to discuss books by Writers Conference authors. Pat Sanborn will lead one group, tentatively scheduled for noon on Mondays. If there is enough interest, a second group will meet at another time.

If you are interested in being a part of a campus reading group, call the University Writing Program office at 777-3600, or e-mail Libby Rankin at rankin@badlands.nodak.edu. Be sure to indicate whether you want to join the Monday group or put your name on a list for the second group. We'll get back to you the first week of classes to confirm meeting times and places. -- *Libby Rankin, University Writing Program.*

170 Voices, Soloists, Orchestra Join To Present Handel's 'Messiah' Dec. 19

A performance of Handel's beloved "The Messiah" will be presented by local performers **Saturday, Dec. 19**, at 8 p.m. in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. The 170 voices of the Grand Forks Master Chorale, Centralian Chorus, and Red River Concert Choir and orchestra will join Grand Forks native Maria Williams and UND Prof. Eric Tucker as featured soloists in this time-honored oratorio.

Tickets are available at the Chester Fritz box office and at Ticketmaster outlets for \$12 and \$7. -- *University Letter for Brad Sherwood, Red River High School.*

Video Closed Captioning Assistance Available

Attention Faculty: As you prepare for Spring Semester; take stock of any videos you will be using in the classroom. If you receive a student request for closed captioning, DSS can assist you in providing this accommodation. DSS has acquired technology through federal grant that will add closed captioning to existing videos for access. DSS recommends closed captioning because it offers students fuller, more equitable access to the information on the video. If you show videos that are not closed captioned, you are responsible for providing a script of the text upon request. The next step is to bring the script and the video to DSS and we will add the captions onto your video.

Check for closed captioning by looking at the video case. It may have the letters "CC" or a cartoon-like conversation "bubble" indicating that the video is closed captioned. If you have taped something from television, probability is high that the program itself was closed captioned and the signal is embedded in your video. Sometimes the only way to determine if a video is captioned is to actually view the video on a television that has captioning capabilities. To check your video and/or preview videos for classroom use:

- * Use a TV that was purchased after 1993. It will have the captioning chip built in.
- * Use any TV and request a decoder from CILT to view videos in your department.
- * Call DSS. We will check your videos for you.

For more information about how to get your videos captioned and classroom ready for spring semester, call Gloria at 777-3425. -- *Deb Glennen, Disabilities Support Services.*

Book Recounts UND, Community Roles In Flood Battle

One of the most complete written and visual presentations of the joint role that UND played with local communities in battling the April 1997 flood can be found in the new UND flood book, *The Return of Lake Agassiz: The University of North Dakota and the Flood of 1997*. (Also see the article on page 1 on the flood book.)

As flood waters overtook Greater Grand Forks in April 1997, the western edge of UND became a headquarters for the emergency response. Operating out of UND facilities were the Emergency Operations Center, the National Guard, FEMA, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Coast Guard, many city offices, the media, and more.

The Return of Lake Agassiz describes the event that left a \$75 million impact on the institution. But it's more than that. Through personal accounts and commentary, UND people reflect on storms and flood

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Book Recounts UND, Community Roles In Flood Battle, continued

preparations, the battles to save their own homes and the campus, and the losses and heartbreak that followed. On the campus and in the cities, this book traces events from the winter through the disaster and cleanup.

The Return of Lake Agassiz combines a full narrative with more than 170 photographs. Among these are many views of the flood not seen in any other publication. Its 176 pages include a full-color section, a chronology, and a damages summary. With its balance of text and photographs, *The Return to Lake Agassiz: The University of North Dakota and the Flood of 1997* is a distinctive addition to the small number of histories of this dramatic event now available. -- *Dick Larson, Office of University Relations.*

Revised State Fleet Services Manual Issued

The North Dakota State Fleet Services Policy Manual has been revised effective October 1998. This manual outlines the policies and procedures to be followed when using a State Fleet vehicle. If you would like an issue of the new updated version, call the Transportation Office at 777-4122. -- *Mary Metcalf, Office Manager, Transportation Office.*

Credit Union Service Center Moves To New Location

The University Federal Credit Union Service Center on South Washington Street is moving to 3197 South 17th Street. We will share space with First Liberty Credit Union. This location is just east of Hugo's on 32nd Avenue South. The main office will remain in Twamley Hall.

The University Federal Credit Union and Area Schools Credit Union have grown in the last two years to the point where both need additional space to serve their members. When the Service Center location moves to First Liberty Credit Union, Marney Kresel, loan officer and assistant manager, will have an office to provide privacy for loan interviewing. Also, a drive-up window, night depository, and an ATM will be available.

The Service Center will be closed Monday and Tuesday, **Jan. 4 and 5.** Our main office at Twamley Hall will be open both days from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The Service Center hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the drive-up and lobby hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. -- *George Meister, Manager, University Federal Credit Union.*

GSA Position Available In Learning Center

The University Learning Center is accepting applications to fill one quarter-time Graduate Service Assistant position for the 1998-99 Spring semester. All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements of the UND Graduate School. Duties of the Graduate Service Assistant include conducting study skills workshops, teaching sections of A&S 250 (Introduction to Effective Study -- a one-credit course in study skills), plus other duties as assigned. Graduate Service Assistants receive a tuition waiver and stipend.

Applicants should send a cover letter including a time schedule of available hours and resume to the University Learning Center, GSA Position, P. O. Box 9042, Grand Forks, ND 58202. All applications must be received by **noon, Thursday, Dec. 24.** For additional information, call the University Learning Center, 777-4406, or visit our office in the Memorial Union, Room 201A. — *Andy Freeman, Learning Specialist, University Learning Center.*

GroupWise Problem Explained

Some of you already know what happened to the GroupWise server last week and some of you just know the impact of the GroupWise server going down. I hope that the following breakdown of events (no pun intended) will answer questions you may have.

The GroupWise server is equipped with a RAID system that consists of three matching hard drives. The RAID system provides redundancy for GroupWise by keeping the system operational even if one of the three drives fails. As added protection a fourth drive is kept on hand to replace a failed drive. Prior to Thursday, Dec. 3, the standby fourth drive had already been used to replace a failed hard drive and we were waiting for the replacement. Then on the morning of Dec. 3, one hard drive failed in the RAID system. The GroupWise server was still operating with two hard drives. Then within an hour of the first drive failing, a second hard drive failed and the GroupWise system was down.

We had two drives overnight expressed and received them Friday, Dec. 4, at noon. The remainder of the day and throughout the weekend, technicians worked around the clock to restore the GroupWise server from tape backup. The restoration was slowed by corrupt files which the backup system couldn't handle.

We will now have on hand two spare hard drives instead of one. We will also change from the current model of hard drives to a more reliable model. We will also look for ways to address the corrupt files either within the current backup software or by looking for different software. If you are still have problems with your GroupWise account please contact the UND Help Center at 777-2222. -- *Computer Center Help Desk.*

IRB Will Meet Jan. 8

The Institutional Review Board will meet at 4 p.m. **Friday, Jan. 8**, in 305 Twamley Hall, to consider all research proposals submitted to the Office of Research and Program Development before **Tuesday, Dec. 29.** Proposals received later will be considered only if a quorum has reviewed them and time permits.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the Clinical Medical Subcommittee before being brought to the full Board. Proposals for these projects are due in the Office of Research and Program Development **Tuesday, Dec. 22.**

Notes from the meeting will be available in ORPD approximately one week after the meeting. -- *F. R. Ferraro (Psychology), Chair, Institutional Review Board.*

U Senate Short December Agenda Includes Invitation To Chancellor

University Senate, at its regular monthly meeting Dec. 3, faced a short agenda and moved through it comparatively quickly. The only exceptions were discussion on an item in the usually routine request for new courses, new course prefix and course deletions from the Curriculum Committee and a response to a question about the coming bookstore agreement with Barnes and Noble.

An item was approved that was added to the original agenda which invites North Dakota University System Chancellor Larry Isaak to the Senate meeting of Feb. 4 "to discuss the question of 'broader responsibility' for presidents to manage their campuses."

Details on proceedings of the December meeting and other Senate
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U Senate Short December Agenda, continued

information such as agendas, minutes of other meetings, and announcements, can be accessed under the UND Internet home page, Academics -- Senate <<http://www.und.nodak.edu>>. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Corrected Phone Number Listed For Donna Bruce

The office phone number for Donna Bruce of the Admissions Office is incorrect in the current UND Directory. The **correct office number for Donna Bruce is 777-3821.** -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Varied Topics Covered At December Community Briefing

A variety of topics were presented at President Kendall Baker's monthly 9 a.m. community briefing Wednesday, Dec. 9. Summaries follow.

The New Internet Participation. UND's participation in a new, higher-end research and distance education Internet was described by Carl Fox, director of the Office of Research and Program Development (ORPD), who has been a key figure in the University's involvement. Top schools in the nation are among the 135 universities pulling it together under the organizational name Internet2 and for which Fiber is now being laid across the country. Referring to it as the NGI (Next Generation Internet), Fox said "it is critical that we be part of this group so we are not left out in the technological hinterland. It's a geographic equalizer." President Baker said UND's involvement in it is vital to its research and technological programs.

Two UND offices, ORPD and the Computer Center, and seven faculty members were responsible for writing the application that secured a \$350,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to fund the University's connection to the new Internet. Faculty members are Sven Anderson (Computer Science), William Gosnold (Geology and Geological Engineering), Mark Henriksen (Physics), Leon Osborne Jr. (Regional Weather Center), Brajendra Panda (Computer Science), Richard Schultz (Electrical Engineering), and Kathryn Thomasson (Chemistry).

In addition to the national Internet2 organization, UND is part of a regional consortium, "DakotaLink," as part of the participation in the new Internet. Other schools are North Dakota State University, University of South Dakota, South Dakota State University, and South Dakota School of Mines.

An example of the capability of the new Internet that Fox cited is the ability to transmit 1,200 copies of a 300 page book in seven seconds.

The web site URL for the new Internet2 is <www.internet2.edu/html/participants.html>.

Severe Weather Closing/Opening Procedures. "A very involved, deliberate, decision-making process" is how President Baker described the route that is traveled by severe weather closing and re-opening determinations, and they involve the input of various administrators, including the UND Regional Weather Service. Severe weather closing and opening policies and practices were reviewed by several UND personnel.

Peter Johnson, UND media relations coordinator, advised that listening to news-oriented radio stations at times of impending bad weather is the most likely source for up to date, accurate information. He also said that a system is being incorporated with employees'

voice mail so they can call their desk phones from off campus to receive inclement weather closing and opening updates.

Peggy Lucke, vice president for finance and operations, said there is a lot of information to pull together and evaluate before recommendations from administrators, but President Baker ultimately makes the decision on closings. Other factors in weather-related closing decisions which she and Duane Czapiewski, UND police chief, cited included safety for students, faculty, and staff; the ability to get service and support staff to campus even in inclement weather; the ability for employees to get home in time to avoid weather-related travel problems; present and potential condition of city streets and availability of services (e.g., safety, health, transportation); the possibility and/or reality of changing conditions from original predictions; the length of a storm (for re-opening preparations and times).

GroupWise Crash. The unlikely crash of several hard drives in a short time span was responsible for the loss of UND's e-mail GroupWise system for about five days from late last to early this week. Desi Sporbert of the Personnel Services Office and a computer support technician said there are three hard drives that run GroupWise, plus a spare "swap" drive. He said after one hard drive initially crashed, the spare one was employed, but not much later, another hard drive failed, and while the server can run on two drives in a "degraded" fashion, yet another drive stopped working, which brought the system to a halt.

Replacement hard drive disks had to be obtained and installed, plus, as the back-up tape was downloading data for re-installation, it stopped because of a bad spot, so a lengthier downloading process had to be used. For the future, better hard drives and improved back-up tapes will be employed, Sporbert said.

Year 2000 Computer Preparation. The University is "in good shape" regarding infrastructure concerning year 2000 (Y2K) computer related potential problems, and UND continues to stress the importance of dealing with that situation, according to Desi Sporbert of the UND Personnel Service Office and a computer support technician. He reminded that Y2K can affect not just computers as is normally thought of, but it can affect maintenance and safety systems and presents possible liability issues. He said information on various aspects of Y2K is available on UND's web site on that subject. It can be found through a link on UND's home page on the Internet.

Enrollment. President Baker said enrollment numbers for next fall are "strong at this time" and showing substantial improvement over last year. He cautioned, though, that it should be remembered that the base for comparison for both last fall and the coming one is the fall of 1997 when enrollment dipped after the spring flood. However, President Baker did note that UND is ahead of the fall 1996, when numbers were in a better state than in the post-fall semester of a year later. "We can see the health being restored to our enrollment," he said, pointing out that an important aspect of enrollment figures is that they translate into financial figures.

University Staff Senate. President of the University Staff Senate Duane Czapiewski (UND police chief) reported on current activities of that new body which was formed in the last year. He said one of their prime areas of concern is to become involved in whatever way they can with student recruiting, so Staff Senate plans to talk with faculty who have been involved in that. Dissemination of Legislative information is also a concern. Meetings with North Dakota State University's 10-year-old Staff Senate have been held to learn from their experience. Czapiewski said Staff Senate has its own phone number and e-mail address to enhance communication capabilities.

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December Community Briefing, continued

Announcements, Additional Comments From President Baker.

The Governor's Budget is being presented Dec. 10, which will provide UND with clear and current information on what the governor is thinking financially. The UND budget presentation to the Legislature will be made the week of Jan. 11. Employees can expect further information on the budget and other matters related to the Legislature. . . . Recent accomplishments and performances by the UND Band, Varsity Bards, and Master Chorale, in addition to continuing success by various athletic teams, was cited. . . . The athletic director search process to this point has attracted 21 external applicants, with internal applicants also expected. . . . (See items elsewhere in this issue of *University Letter* on the UND presidential search process and the soon-to-be published new UND flood book, topics which President Baker mentioned at the community briefing.) -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Presidential Search Committee Begins Groundwork For Reviewing Applications

The Presidential Search Committee began preparations at its meeting Tuesday, Dec. 8, for the second phase in its quest to eventually recommend finalist candidates for the UND presidency to the State Board of Higher Education. Action at the meeting included approval of a two-part applicant qualification rating form and discussion of ground rules and logistics for reviewing and recommending candidates. Concerns about those procedural matters will be clarified or reconciled before or at a January meeting after requested information is received.

The committee's initial actions since being appointed in September by North Dakota University System Chancellor Larry Isaak have been formulation of an Executive Search Profile, which is a narrative describing the University and citing qualifications for the office of its presidency, and drafting and placement of the advertisement seeking applicants. The ad is appearing in December and January in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and in *Black Issues* magazine.

A prime concern at the Dec. 8 meeting was about the balance which should be stated in an item on the qualification rating form between the holding of a terminal degree and the extent and nature of career experience. Some committee members thought the original statement might seem restrictive by seeming to emphasize the former. The search group agreed to change that qualification reference to read possession of an "adequate terminal degree or career experience that will lead to success as a university president." The qualification rating form was drafted by a search subcommittee.

Clarification was also requested by the committee about the nature and content of questions a consulting firm representative will ask of the final 12 candidates. Committee Chair Harvey Knull (dean of the UND Graduate School) said he would obtain the questions and distribute them to the committee for review and possible input before the consultant's interviewing phase of the 12 finalists begins. The committee also requested information about credentials of the consulting firm interviewer.

The consulting firm is R. H. Perry & Associates of Columbus, Ohio, which in addition to doing the initial interviewing of the final 12, will help to gather and check references. It was noted that the Search Committee will be the ultimate interviewing body and that the consulting firm's role is one of assistance.

Reduction of the applicant field to 12 is planned by Feb. 3, after which committee members will work as two-person teams to review

one candidate each on the way to reducing the field to six. Campus visits by the six finalists and site visits to their work places are scheduled to begin in late February or early March. It is expected that three candidates will be recommended by the committee from which the Board of Higher Education will select the new UND president.

Other matters and information coming out of the Dec. 8 meeting included the following:

- * Applications are being placed on file in the Graduate School Office in Twamley Hall, where an area and times will be designated for those interested to review them.
- * Four applications had been received by the Dec. 8 meeting.
- * Consideration will be given to involving UND alumni and colleagues in the areas of the institutions of the final 12 candidates to obtain information about them.
- * UND librarians, acting as members of their professional organization, have volunteered to help with verification of candidates' resumes about their publishing activity.

The successful candidate will succeed Kendall L. Baker, who has served as UND's ninth president since July 1, 1992, and who has submitted his resignation effective June 30, 1999.

Information about various aspects of the search process can be found on the Internet on a special "Presidential Search" link off the UND main web site, accessible at <<http://www.und.edu>> and at <<http://www.und.nodak.edu/presidentialsearch>>. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

University Letter Holiday Schedule Set

University Letter will not be published the final two weeks of December. The last issue before that will be the one dated Dec. 18, for which the deadline for submitting items is 1 p.m. Dec. 15. The next *University Letter* to be published after that will be the one dated Jan. 8, for which the deadline for submitting items is 1 p.m. Jan. 5. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Employee Tuition-Free Course Enrollment Procedures Outlined

Employees who want to exercise their tuition-free enrollment in a second semester course should do so by **Dec. 31** (a \$4.17 per credit hour technology fee is applicable for courses taken for credit). An employee may take up to three academic courses each calendar year, for which release time is granted with approval of the employee's supervisor. Audit enrollment requires permission of the instructor.

These are the enrollment procedures under the employee tuition-free enrollment program:

1. Obtain admissions materials and Tuition Waiver Form at the Office of Admissions, 205 Twamley Hall, phone 777-3821) or at the Graduate School (414 Twamley, phone 777-2784).
2. Choose the course you want to take (note that prerequisites or other factors may affect registration).
3. Complete the forms, have your supervisor sign the Waiver Form, and return them to the proper office (Admissions or Graduate School).
4. Register according to the instructions in the *Time Schedule of Classes*. -- *Donna Bruce, Admissions Office.*

Doctoral Exams Set For Wilcox And Zanotti

The final examination for Darlene Wilcox, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in Counseling Psychology, is set for 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 16, in 318 Montgomery Hall. The dissertation title is "Attitudes Toward Higher Education and Acculturation Amongst Native American College Students." Sue Jacobs (Counseling) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Dona Zanotti, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in Counseling Psychology, is set for 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 17, in 318 Montgomery hall. The dissertation title is "The Perspectives of Care and Justice and Their Influence on Clinician Conceptualization of Client Anger." Sue Jacobs (Counseling) is the committee chair.

Members of the Graduate Faculty are invited to attend. -- *Harvey Knull, Dean, Graduate School.*

University Announces Death Of Student, John Gillstrap

It is with regret that the University must announce the death of John Charles Gillstrap, who died Nov. 17. Gillstrap was admitted into UND in the fall of 1995 and was majoring in Visual Arts. -- *Lillian Elsinga, Dean of Students.*

Location Of Equipment Replaced After Flood Needs To Be Identified

This is a reminder to departments which experienced equipment loss during the flood of 1997. The campus is beginning the closeout process on many of our projects. This will require FEMA and State inspectors to physically visit the sites which incurred damages. They will be asking to see equipment that was replaced with federal money given to the University for these replacements. It is up to each department to keep an accurate account **of the location** of all the equipment that has been purchased as replacement items. -- *Peggy Lucke, Interim Vice President for Finance and Operations.*

Dec. 11 Is Green And White Day

Friday, Dec. 11, has been designated by President Baker as a Green and White Day. Members of the University community are invited to wear green and white in honor of hockey, UND vs. University of Wisconsin; women's basketball, UND vs. Minnesota-Morris and Jamestown College; and men's basketball, UND vs. Minnesota-Morris. -- *Jim Penwarden, University Relations.*

Christmas Tree Safety Regulations Cited

You can prevent most holiday fires by careful selection and safe handling of the Christmas tree. Following are some basic safety tips for maintaining a safe tree. Artificial trees are acceptable for decorating purposes. Live trees must have prior approval from the UND Safety Office and must be treated to comply with fire codes. They need to have a tag attached to say they have been treated with a fire retardant. If you plan to have a real tree, contact the Safety Office at 777-3341 for instructions before purchasing it. Select a location that is away from heat and drying sources, such as registers or radiators. Do not place the tree so that it blocks a doorway, corridor or exit. After the holidays, the sooner you get rid of your Christmas tree and decorations the better. The longer it stays up the more of a fire hazard it becomes.

Inspect lights and other electrical decorations before you use them. For tree decorating purposes, only a reasonable number of miniature lights shall be used. Look for frayed or bare wires, cracked sockets, loose connections, and damaged insulation. When you leave the office for home, be sure to unplug all of your decorative lighting. -- *Jason Uhler, Safety Office (per Max Allard, Grand Forks Fire Marshal).*

Suggestions Invited For Campus Map Updates

The UND campus map will undergo its occasional routine reprinting in the next two weeks or so. You are invited to submit changes in office and department locations, name changes, etc., for consideration for inclusion in the updated map to Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations, Box 7144, phone 777-4311. Changes should be received no later than Dec. 14. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

University Property Items For Sale By Bid

The University is offering for sale to the public on a sealed, high bid basis the following items: older computer equipment, cloth rags, drums, and other miscellaneous items. These may be seen at the Central Receiving warehouse at the southwest corner of the campus. Bids will be taken between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday, Dec. 14-17. -- *Lee Sundby, Central Receiving.*

Surplus Property Listed For Sale

Surplus Property has the following items for departmental use and purchase: several small dorm type refrigerators; several 30x36 CRT tables, black base and walnut top; four free standing coat racks; several typing stands; several used metal desks; one used 48-inch round blue Formica table; one used table type paper cutter; four used tables in sizes of 30x48, 30x60, and 30x72.

Further information and prices are available by calling Surplus Property at 777-3125. -- *Lee Sundby, Central Receiving.*

Grants and Fellowships

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The Office of Research and Program Development would like to congratulate the following UND faculty and staff who were listed as principal or co-principal investigators on awards received during the months of September and October 1998:

Aerospace Sciences: Ronald DePue, Wilfred Jackson, George Seielstad, Sherman Weigel; **Anatomy and Cell Biology:** Michael Atkinson; **Anthropology:** Dennis Toom; **Atmospheric Sciences:** Cedric Grainger, Michael Poellot, Jeffrey Stith; **Biology:** Robert Newman; **Chemistry:** Mahesh Lakshman, David Pierce, Irina Smoliakova, Lothar Stahl, Kathryn Thomasson; **Communication Sciences and Disorders:** Wayne Swisher; **Community Medicine and Rural Health:** Mary Amundson, Kyle Muus; **Continuing Education:** Dawn Botsford, James Shaeffer; **Education and Human Development:** Mary McDonnell Harris; **Energy and Environmental Research Center:** Ted Aulich, Bruce Dockter, Grant Dunham, Thomas Erickson, John Erjavec, Kurt Eylands, Kevin Galbreath, John

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Gallagher, Timothy Gerlach, Ames Grisanti, Jay Gunderson, Stephen Hawthorne, John Hurley, Dennis Laudal, Michael Mann, Gale Mayer, Donald McCollor, Stanley Miller, Charles Moretti, Erin O'Leary, John Pavlish, Debra Pflughoeft-Hassett, Richard Schulz, James Sorensen, Daniel Stepan, Michael Swanson, Jeffrey Thompson, Greg Weber, Christopher Zygarlicke; **EPSCoR**: Philip Boudjouk; **Geology and Geological Engineering**: Phil Gerla; **Human Nutrition Research Center**: Jean Altepeter; **INMED**: Eugene DeLorme; **Law School**: Larry Spain; **Nursing**: Regina Monnig; **Outreach Programs**: James Shaeffer; **Pharmacology & Toxicology**: Paul Epstein; **Political Science and Public Administration/Bureau of Governmental Affairs**: Mary Kweit, Ronald Pynn; **Sociology**: Clifford Staples; **Space Studies**: Charles Wood; **TRIO Programs**: Neil Reuter. -- Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Assistant to the Director of Research and Program Development.

NSF Fastlane Workshops To Be Held In May

Before you schedule your vacation for next May, you should know that staff from the National Science Foundation (NSF) will be at UND May 13-14 to conduct workshops on Fastlane, NSF's electronic proposal submission process. Many directorates at NSF are now requiring that proposals be submitted electronically, and these workshops provide assistance in using the system and the software associated with it. Investigators in academic disciplines typically supported by NSF are encouraged to attend this workshop if they have not yet used Fastlane. Experienced users who believe they need additional assistance may also attend. Departments are invited to send support personnel who may be providing assistance to investigators in their departments.

While the dates are firm, the number of workshops and their times are still tentative. As May approaches, information on registration and times will be made available. Because of equipment limitations, attendance will be restricted, so be sure you are ready to register when the announcement is made. -- Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Assistant to the Director of Research and Program Development.

Research, Grant Opportunities Listed

Following are research and grant opportunities. For more information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278.

GERMAN ACADEMIC EXCHANGE SERVICE (GAES)

DAAD Hochschulsommerkurse at German Universities scholarships of DM 1400 support participation in 3-4-week German studies and language courses at various German universities during the summer. Eligible applicants are juniors, seniors, and graduate students from all disciplines who have completed at least 2 years of college-level German, are enrolled full-time, and are U.S. or Canadian citizens between 13-32 years of age. The courses have an integrated thematic focus on literary, cultural, political, and economic aspects of modern and contemporary Germany.

DAAD "Learn German in Germany" for Faculty grants support attendance at 4- and 8-week intensive language courses at Goethe Institutes in Germany. Full-time faculty from all fields except English, German, or other modern languages/literatures are eligible. Preference is given to applicants who have completed 3 semesters of college-level German and who can demonstrate need for better proficiency in German language. Courses are offered May-November. **Contact**: 212/758-3223; fax 212/755-5780; DAADNY@DAAD.ORG; <http://www.daad.org>. **Deadline**: 1/31/99.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

The SBER Economic, Management, and Regional Sciences (94-94) program supports research and research-related projects in the following areas: decision, risk, and management science (to explore fundamental issues in management science; risk analysis; societal and public policy decision making; behavioral decision making; and judgement, organizational aspects of operational processes and decision making); economics (basic scientific research to improve the understanding of processes and institutions of the U.S. economy and the world system of which it is a part); geography and regional science (research on the causes and consequences of geographical differences in economic, social, cultural, and physical phenomena, including interactions among places and regions and interrelations between human activities and the natural environment), and research to improve the quality and the accessibility of social and economic data resources. Duration is up to 5 years. Proposals for research support are due by the target date. Proposals for conferences, meetings, and workshops should be made at least a year before the scheduled date. **Contact**: 703/306-1760; fax 703-306-0485; sber@nsf.gov; <http://www.nsf.gov/sbe/sber/>. **Target Date**: 1/15/99.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART

Smithsonian Fellowships in American Art at the National Museum of American Art and its Renwick Gallery (in downtown Washington, D.C.) support independent research, dissertation research, or a combination of dissertation and curatorial research in the areas of art and visual culture of the United States. The Museum's collection spans the nation's artistic heritage, representing outstanding visual accomplishments from the Colonial period to the present day. It includes special strengths in 19th-century landscape, American impressionism, 20th-century realism, New Deal programs, photography and graphic art, folk art, Latino art, and African-American art. Modern and contemporary American craft is featured in the Renwick Gallery. Annual stipends are \$15,000 for pre-doctoral fellows and \$25,000 for postdoctoral and senior fellows. Duration is up to 12 months. **Contact**: Katherine Manthorne, 202/357-2233; fax 202/633-9189; kmanthor@nmaa.si.edu; <http://nmaa-ryder.si.edu/study/index.html>. **Deadline**: 1/15/99.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTION OF WASHINGTON

Postdoctoral Fellowships in Plant Biology support postdoctoral researchers of all nationalities for one-year (renewable for a second), in-residence research to integrate studies at various levels of biological organization, from biochemical and molecular experimentation to broad-ranging ecological research. Awards are offered through the Department of Plant Biology, Stanford, CA. Current scholarly programs include: Physiology of Plant Adaptation, Plant Responses to Environmental Stress, Issues of Scale in Physiological Ecology, Molecular Biology of Algae and Cyanobacteria, Protein Sorting within Chloroplasts, Cell Wall Biosynthesis and Embryogenesis, and Mechanisms of Disease Resistance. **Deadline**: 1/15/99. **Contact**: 202/387-6400; fax 202/387-8092; or the Department of Plant Biology, Stanford, 650/325-1521.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

The Academic Career Leadership Award supports leadership activities in the development of research and research training programs in the following fields: basic biological research on aging; research on clinical pathologies of aging, including Alzheimer's

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disease; research on the aging brain and nervous system; and behavioral and social research on aging and the special problems of older people. The program may include curriculum development activities, initiation of seminar series, bringing in outside faculty for short-term assignments, sponsoring travel for junior faculty, development of internal communication networks, support for pilot studies, and other similar development activities. Awards will use the Academic Career Leadership Award (K07) mechanism. The project period is for 3-5 years; up to \$100,000/year in direct costs may be requested. **Deadlines:** 2/1/99, 6/1/99, 10/1/99. **Contact:** Robin A. Barr, 301/496-9322; fax 301/402-2945; rb42h@nih.gov; <http://www.nih.gov>.

Self-Care Behaviors and Aging projects investigate the nature, use, and outcomes of self-care activities. Foreign and domestic applicants are eligible for funding. Research is encouraged on issues pertaining to the nature and extent of self-care practice by older adults; stability and change of self-care behaviors over time; social, behavioral, and technological factors which facilitate or impede the development and maintenance of self-care; the impact of self-care practice on health outcomes, including the potential for independent living and the relationship of self-care practice to the types and costs of formal health care utilization; and the effectiveness of interventions to promote self-care, in response to acute conditions, and for the management of chronic illnesses and disabilities. Also encouraged is research that specifies conceptual approaches within aging research and would give the field a strong base of scientific methodologies and data. Researchers are urged to design innovative strategies that may include qualitative approaches, use of available data sets, or targeted survey strategies. Of particular value would be studies comparing older age groups because self-care may vary with the age and aging-related circumstances of the individual. Awards are expected to average \$250,000/year. The mechanism of support is Individual Research Project Grants (RO1). **Contact:** Marcia G. Ory, 301/402-4156; fax 301/402-0051; Marcia_Ory@NIH.GOV; <http://www.nih.gov/nia>. **Deadline:** 2/1/99.

HARRY RANSOM HUMANITIES RESEARCH CENTER (HRHRC)

In-residence Research Fellowships of 1-4 months duration are provided to postdoctoral scholars of any nationality to conduct research based on the Center's collections, which includes British, American, and French literary materials, photography, music, film, and theater arts. Stipends are \$2,000/month. Fellowships will be awarded for literary, cultural, or historical study in this period; research in British literary, cultural, and historical subjects; research on 19th/20th century British topics; studies related to 20th century art, journalism, women's studies, and general literature and culture; in publishing and general literary studies (emphasis given to research concerning Knopf authors); in general literary and cultural studies (several fellowships, one with emphasis on the relationship of literature and science); for research in the Pforzheimer collection or in general Renaissance Studies; and research on Jewish authors and relevant cultural topics requiring research in the Center's collections. For 1999-2000, several fellowships will be designated for scholars with research projects on the topic Women's Biography or Autobiography. **Contact:** 512/471-8944; fax 512/471-2899; fellowships@hrc.utexas.edu; <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/Libs/HRC/HRHRC/>. **Deadline:** 2/1/99.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES (NEH)

Planning and Scripting Grants support the design and development of public humanities programs in preparation for their implementation or production. Grants are available for projects in all eligible formats; e.g., those to be presented at museums and libraries, on radio or television, or using interactive multimedia. Support is also offered for radio and television/film projects at the scripting stage to develop the content and format further and prepare scripts or detailed treatments. A key element for the grants is continued collaboration with a team of scholarly and community advisers representing an appropriate, broad, and balanced set of perspectives. Up to \$40,000 will be awarded for exhibitions and other community-based projects; up to \$30,000 for planning radio and television/film products; up to \$50,000 for planning interactive multimedia projects; and up to \$60,000 for a scripting grant for a television/film documentary of one hour. Duration is up to 24 months. **Contact:** 202/606-8267; fax 202/606-8557; publicpgms@neh.fed.us; <http://www.neh.fed.us>. **Deadline:** 2/1/99.

The Summer Seminar In Philosophy of Statistics, "Philosophy of Experimental Inference: Induction, Reliability and Error," will study a range of problems concerning theory testing and confirmation, the new experimentalism, and Bayesian and error statistical accounts of inference. It is aimed at philosophers of science and those interested in questions of methodology and uncertain inference as they arise in biology and psychology, the social sciences, applied ethics, and interdisciplinary studies of science and human values. Participants will receive a stipend of \$3700. **Deadline:** 3/1/99. **Contact:** Deborah G. Mayo, 540/231-8488; fax 540/231-6367; Mayod@vt.edu.

Summer Institutes for College/University Faculty awards provide stipends of \$2,800-\$3,700 plus an allowance for travel, room and board, to full-time faculty to enable them to participate in summer institutes which offer opportunities for intensive study of texts, historical periods, ideas, and issues central to undergraduate teaching in the humanities. The 1998 institutes are: The Built Environment of the American Metropolis: Public and Private Realms: 1900-2000; The Civil Rights Movement: History and Consequences; Memory, History, and Dictatorship: The Legacy of World War II in France, Germany, and Italy; New Sources and Findings on Cold War International History; Authority, Text, and Context in Nineteenth-Century Spanish Realism (in Spanish and English); Anglo-Saxon England; Islam and the 21st Century: Heritage and Prospects; Re-Imagining Indigenous Cultures: The Pacific Islands; Black Film Studies: Integrating African American Cinema into the Arts and Humanities Curriculum. Contact information for each is available at ORPD or the internet address below. Most institutes are scheduled for 4-6 weeks during the summer; 20-30 participants will be selected for each. **Deadline:** 3/1/99. **Contact:** 202/606-8380; sem-inst@neh.gov; <http://www.neh.fed.us>.

Summer Seminars/Institutes for School Teachers (Direct) awards ranging from \$60,000-\$170,000 support faculty development through residential summer institutes/seminars designed to provide teachers with intensive summer study of important texts and topics in the humanities. Summer Institutes, taught by a team of core faculty and visiting scholars, are designed to present the best available scholarship on important humanities issues and works taught in the nation's schools. Participants compare and synthesize various perspectives offered by the faculty, make connections between the institute content and classroom applications, and develop improved teaching materials. Summer Seminar participants explore a topic or set of readings with a

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scholar having special interest and expertise in the field. The principal goal is to engage teachers in the scholarly enterprise and expand and deepen their understanding of the humanities through reading, discussion, reflection, and writing. Grants include stipends for selected participants, director's salary, secretarial support, and direct and indirect costs to the host institution. **Deadline:** 3/1/99. **Contact:** 202/606-8463/8213; fax 202/606-8420; sem-inst@neh.gov; <http://www.neh.fed.us>.

NAKAMICHI FOUNDATION

Grants are provided to encourage propagation and appreciation of early, baroque and classical music that otherwise might not be available to the public on a commercial basis. This is usually accomplished by underwriting performances and/or their broadcast on public television/radio. Public broadcasting grants are awarded only to the broadcaster; inquiries and applications for them must come directly from the public television/radio station. Duration is one year. Recent grants have ranged from \$1,800-\$125,000, with an average of

\$35,000. Interested organizations should submit a brief letter of inquiry. **Deadlines:** 2/1/99, 9/15/99. **Contact:** Les Mitchnick, 213/683-1608; fax 213/624-3390.

MIXED BLOOD THEATRE COMPANY (MBTC)

The "We Don't Need No Stinkin' Dramas" Annual Playwriting Contest provides one award of up to \$2,000 and, in some instances, full production of the winning entry. Eligible applicants are U.S. citizens who have had at least one of their works produced or workshopped. Produced means any production, community and college theater included, to which tickets were sold. The play submitted must be unproduced. MBTC is primarily interested in good scripts that will be cast with the best actors available. Historically, the majority of scripts received have been dramas; however, comedies and satires are always welcomed and encouraged. **Deadline:** 2/1/99. **Contact:** 612/338-0937; 1501 S. 4th St., Minneapolis, MN 55454.

-- Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Assistant to the Director of Research and Program Development.